Beaumont Hospitals^e

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House Health Policy Committee Michigan House of Representatives P.O. Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Representative:

On behalf of the Beaumont Hospitals, I am writing to urge your support for House Bill 6253. If passed, this would extend for another five years the ability of Michigan's Board of Nursing to grant a temporary license to Canadian nurses to practice nursing in Michigan. By continuing the temporary license process, hospitals in southeast Michigan are able to recruit nurses who have just graduated from Canadian nursing schools. Our experience is that these Canadian-educated nurses are fully capable of meeting the health care needs of our patients.

Thank you for your consideration. I hope you will support House Bill 6253.

Sincerely,

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